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For:

PROCESS VARIABLE GAUGE INTERFACE AND METHODS REGARDING

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents ATTN: BOX RCE Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Please add claim 58. Claim 58 is provided below in clean form. Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, the claim 58 is also shown in Appendix A (for convenience, all pending claims, including those added hereby, are provided in Appendix A).

58.(New) A graphical user interface for providing real-time process information to a user with regard to a process that is operable under control of one or more process variables, the graphical user interface comprising:

a scale extending along a gauge axis;

one or more bars extending along the gauge axis, each bar representative of a set of high and low process limit values for a process variable, wherein the one or more bars extending along the gauge axis comprise: